

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Nils-Peter DEBUS et al.

Serial No.: 10/070,304

Filed: August 7, 2002

Title: L-SELECTION CONTRAST AGENTS

Examiner: David A. SAUNDERS

Group Art Unit: 1644



RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

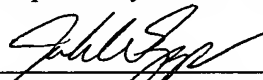
The following is responsive to the Office action of March 19, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, with traverse. The examiner has not established that an undue searching burden would be involved in searching the full scope of the claims.

Consequently, the restriction requirement is not proper and should be withdrawn.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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